

REMARKS

I. Introduction

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration of the rejections contained in the Office Action of January 21, 2009 is respectfully requested.

By this amendment claims 29-30 and 33 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein. Claim 15 is now pending in the application. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

II. Prior Art Rejections

Currently, claims 29-30 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being unpatentable over Moore (US 7,074,113) and claim 33 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Moore in view of Uzoh et al. Claim 15 is allowed.

Claim 29-30 and 33 have been cancelled. Withdrawal of the above rejections is respectfully requested.

As mentioned above, claim 15 was allowed in the final Office Action of January 21, 2009. Because the only pending claim in the application has been previously indicated as allowable, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in complete condition for issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance, and action to such effect is earnestly solicited.

Should any issues remain after consideration of the within response, however, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the Examiner's convenience. If any fee beyond that submitted herewith, or extension of time is required to obtain entry of this

Amendment, the undersigned hereby petitions the Commissioner to grant any necessary time extension and authorizes charging Deposit Account 23-0975 for any such fee not submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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